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## PRESS

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**Issued the following press releases:** EPA awards \$366,000 to Navajo Nation EPA for San Juan watershed monitoring program

<https://epa.gov/newsreleases/us-epa-awards-366000-navajo-nation-epa-san-juan-watershed-monitoring-program>

**Press release issued:** EPA announces University of California, Berkeley winner of 6th annual RainWorks Challenge for innovative design of green infrastructure. WTR, Nahal Mogharabi.

**Antelope Valley Press** (Chuck Bostwick) [Sent 4/26]—CLOSED—Let reporter know that EPA issued the Palmdale PSD permit and sent him link to the docket. AIR, Nahal Mogharabi.

**Fullerton Daily Titan** (Wendy Chavez) [Received 4/26]—CLOSED—Reporter was looking for information on the OC Water Basin and if it was on the NPL. Sent student reporter link to our factsheet and press release. SFUND, Nahal Mogharabi.

**Daily Californian** (Madeleine Gregory) [received 4/26] – OPEN – Reporter is writing an article about Berkeley being fined for dumping sewage into the bay. Worked with program on response, waiting for clearance. ENF, NorCal, Michele Huitric

**CurbedSF** (Chris Roberts) [Received 4/25] – OPEN – Reporter asked if EPA had a statement in response to Tetra Tech's press release about Hunters Point Naval Shipyard cleanup. Will work with program on response. SFD. NorCal. Michele Huitric

**East Bay Express** (Gabrielle Canon) [received 4/24] – OPEN - Reporter had questions about the EBMUD press release. Sent initial response, reporter sent follow-up question. Waiting for clearance on new response. ENF, NorCal. Michele Huitric

**CurbedSF** (Chris Roberts) [Received 4/17] – CLOSED – Reporter has new questions about Bayview Hunters Point site and recent results regarding buildings on Parcel A. Provided written response. SFD. NorCal. Michele Huitric

**KAWC, Yuma NPR Affiliate** (Maya Robnett) [Received 4/24] – OPEN – Science reporter would like less than 15 minutes of phone interview to discuss Border 2020 grant announcement. Working with radio station to schedule interview for tomorrow or Monday. LND/Border, AZ Margot Perez-Sullivan

**KQED, Bay Area NPR Affiliate** (Sukey Lewis) [Received 4/23] – OPEN – Reporter would like information of wildfire debris removal operations and EPA’s role. She would also like to know about landfill regulations. SFD/LND, NorCal Margot Perez-Sullivan

**Cronkite News** (Abdel Jimenez) [Received 4/23] – OPEN – Reporter interested in Tucson airport superfund site and requesting interview. Waiting on student to narrow focus and ask specific questions for a statement. SFD, AZ, Margot Perez-Sullivan

**Documentary Filmmaker** (Leana Hosea) [Received 4/18] – OPEN – Filmmaker working on documentary looking at Flint water crisis and Navajo drinking water issues. Requests interview. We corresponded with filmmaker at length last year and provided background information on the agency’s work. Filmmaker will be on Navajo this May and is seeking an on camera interview. SFD, Navajo Nation, Margot Perez-Sullivan

**Student Journalist** (Matt Roberts) [Received 4/18] – OPEN – Student reporter met RPM and CIC at recent event on Navajo. He is requesting interviews with staff to “humanize” the agency. Received questions, sent to program, waiting on responses. SFD, AZ, Margot Perez-Sullivan

Coverage of Brownfields event in Sacramento:

- **News Radio KFBK:** [EPA Awards Grants to help Revitalize Contaminated Properties](#)

## WEB & SOCIAL MEDIA

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### Social Media:

**San Juan Watershed** – Posted to our [Twitter](#) page about the grant issued to the Navajo Nation Environmental Protection Agency in conjunction with the newly announced [San Juan Watershed](#) program.

### Web Updates:

**Palmdale Energy Project** – Published public notices (in [English](#) and [Spanish](#)) to announce EPA’s final decision to grant conditional approval of a [Prevention of Significant Deterioration \(Air\) Permit](#) for construction and operation of a natural-gas fired generating station in Palmdale, CA.

**Newsletter** – Published the [March-April Pacific Southwest Newsletter](#) in our Media Center web area.

**Regional Tribal Operations Committee** – Added presentation materials from the [Spring RTOC Meeting](#) to our Tribal web area.

## CONGRESSIONAL & INTERGOVERNMENTAL

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**Rep. Salud Carbajal (D-CA-24):** Brent Maier coordinated and participated in a call today with Johanna Montiel, Legislative Assistant in the Congressman’s DC office along with two of her colleagues on the Congressman’s press team, Tess Whittlesey and Mannal Haddad, regarding the Casmalia Resources Superfund Site and the EPA settlements history and funding reserves for ongoing cleanup activities at the Site. Superfund’s Russ Mechem, Remedial Project Manager for the Casmalia Resources Superfund Site, Rusty Harris-Bishop, along with Office of Regional Counsel’s Karen Goldberg participated in this call.

**Sen. John McCain (R-AZ):** Brent Maier received an inquiry from Donna Kenney in the Senator’s Phoenix office regarding Milum Textiles, Inc. and the Motorola 52<sup>nd</sup> St. Superfund Site and Mr. Milum reaching out to their office for follow up. Brent followed up with Superfund’s Rachel Loftin and Catherine Brown and Office of Regional Counsel’s Bethany Dreyfus for their guidance on how our office should respond. Brent let Donna know that EPA met with Mr. Milum on April 10th. Since then, we provided Mr. Milum with the list of General Notice recipients for Motorola 52nd St, Administrative Orders on Consent (AOCs), statements of work (SOWs), and remedial investigations (RIs) for the 7 sites that have done

RI work under an AOC or unilateral administrative order (UAO) in Operable Unit 3 (OU3), plus emails from 2015 to April 2018 that EPA sent to Mr. Milum and his counsel, including confirmation that EPA provided an AOC for his facility in 2016 and 2017. The emails were forwarded because he indicated EPA did not send him an AOC for signature in 2016, and we said we would forward the transmittals of that document as well as the other AOCs from OU3 at that time. We are drafting a reply to his letter and another email he sent on 4-23-2018 reiterating his desire for EPA to withdraw the need for the limited sampling identified for the Milum Textiles Facility property. Donna asked for an EPA contact should Mr. Milum wish to follow up with EPA and Superfund's Rachel Loftin and her contact information was shared with Donna Kenney and Brent conveyed to Donna that we are more than happy to meet with Donna and others in the Senators' office to provide further updates.

**Rep. Nanette Barragan (D-CA-44):** Congresswoman Nanette Barragan's Office called Acting Regional Administrator Alexis Strauss earlier this week to ask if our office could join the Water Board and City of Compton and others on a discussion panel on Wednesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> from 6:00pm – 7:30pm on the local drinking water distribution system and quality of water served. They'd like us to be prepared to discuss what has been done, what can be done. The water utility and a local physician are also invited. Water Division is evaluating who might be able to attend this Town Hall meeting.

**Rep. Steven Knight (R-CA-25):** At the request of our Air Division, Brent Maier let Lisa Moulton, District Director in the Palmdale District Office of Congressman Steve Knight know that yesterday, the EPA issued a Clean Air Act (CAA) Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) permit for the Palmdale Energy Project, a 645 MW natural gas-fired combined cycle power plant. The permit authorizes the Applicant to construct and operate the Project, which includes two natural gas-fired combustion turbines, an auxiliary boiler, two emergency engines, circuit breakers, and fugitive equipment leaks. The Project is intended to provide load-following power generation that will respond to changes in renewable energy availability, particularly during the morning and evening. More information is available at: <https://www.epa.gov/caa-permitting/palmdale-energy-project-prevention-significant-deterioration-psd-permit>

**Rep. Scott Peters (D-CA-51):** Brent Maier received an inquiry from Howard Ou in the Congressman's San Diego office requesting our opinion on whether a disaster grant program under the Department of Commerce, the Economic Development Assistance (EDA) might apply to the ongoing Tijuana sewage issue. Brent shared information provided by Howard with Water Division's Doug Eberhardt, Mike Montgomery, and Doug Liden and responded to Howard that it is really up to EDA to determine what is eligible, not EPA. We can provide factual information to make sure the situation is clearly understood. In reading the grant eligibility requirements, it appears that it requires a "Presidential declaration of a disaster". That said, the President has not declared an emergency under the Stafford Act for Tijuana sewage and it is not their belief that Tijuana sewage could be characterized as a "natural" disaster. Therefore, they commented that they would be very surprised if anything to do with transboundary Tijuana sewage would be eligible under the EDA program. However, they did suggest that their office may wish to reach out to EDA to get their opinion in the event it might differ from our quick scan and follow up comments. Hope this is helpful. Brent shared a link to EDA contacts: <https://www.eda.gov/contact/>

**San Francisco Board of Supervisor's Hearing on Hunters Point:** Our office has been invited to participate in a San Francisco Board of Supervisor's hearing on Hunters Point Naval Shipyard on Monday, May 14, 2018 from 1:00pm – 4:00pm. Superfund Division Director Enrique Manzanilla and potentially Angeles Herrera will represent EPA Region 9 at this hearing. Superfund RPM Lily Lee and John Chesnutt will be helping prepare Enrique for this hearing.

**Congressional Outreach on San Juan Watershed Monitoring Program:** Brent Maier shared today's press release with Congressional staff in the offices of Senators John McCain and Jeff Flake and Rep. Tom O'Halleran announcing that EPA is awarding a \$366,000 grant to the Navajo Nation Environmental Protection Agency to ensure tribal water quality standards are protective of livestock and crop irrigation water. The funds are part of a larger regional program launched today to develop and implement a long-term water quality monitoring program for the San Juan River watershed.

**Congressional Outreach on RainWorks Challenge Press Release:** Brent Maier shared today's press release announcement with Congressional staff in the offices of Senators Dianne Feinstein, Kamala Harris, John McCain, and Jeff Flake and Representatives Barbara Lee, Martha McSally, and Raul Grijalva announcing that the University of California,

Berkeley was a winner of the 6th annual RainWorks Challenge for innovative design of green infrastructure and that the University of Arizona receives honorable mention

**EPA HQ Meeting with Imperial County, California Supervisors:** An EPA HQ meeting was held today with Supervisor Ray Castillo (Board Chairman), Supervisor Michael Kelley, Tony Rouhotas, Jr., County Executive Officer, Rebecca Terrazas-Baxter, Intergovernmental Relations Director, Hasan Sarsour, Imperial County Federal Representative, and Joe Krahn, Imperial County Federal Representative met with the Office of Water Clean Water SRF, Water Infrastructure & Resiliency Finance Center, and Region IX staff for a general discussion regarding Salton Sea-related concerns; Guidance from WIFIA headquarters and Regional staff – re: Option to Re-apply for future WIFIA funding rounds; Exploration of Federal sources of support for the Salton Sea issues (dialogue with Office of Water Clean Water SRF, Water Infrastructure & Resiliency Finance Center, and Region IX staff). The meeting focused on WIFIA guidance, as well as guidance on other sources of Federal support to address issues facing the Salton Sea. Region 9 participants in this call included Water Division's Mike Montgomery, Doug Eberhardt, and Air Division's Amy Zimpfer and Jeremy Bauer.

**FY2019 Budget Hearings with EPA:** Today EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt testified today before the House Energy & Commerce Committee and the House Appropriations Committee. An archived webcast for each of these hearings is available at the following links:

**House Energy & Commerce Committee:** <https://energycommerce.house.gov/hearings/the-fiscal-year-2019-environmental-protection-agency-budget/>

**Prepared testimony for Administrator Scott Pruitt -**

<https://docs.house.gov/meetings/IF/IF18/20180426/108218/HHRG-115-IF18-Wstate-PruittS-20180426.pdf>

**House Appropriations Committee:** <https://appropriations.house.gov/calendar/eventsingle.aspx?EventID=395262>

#### **Upcoming Congressional Meetings, Hearings, Intergovernmental Meetings and Events:**

**Tuesday – Wednesday, May 1 – 2, 2018: Mayors Water Council Convenes May 1 – 2, 2018:** EPA's Office of Water has been invited to participate in USCM's Mayors Water Council's Washington, DC meeting as member mayors convene to discuss a number of priorities. OIR is working with USCM and OW staff on the request. Broad discussion topics include: Water and Sewer Infrastructure Policies of Inclusion and Innovation; Water and Sewer Infrastructure Financing; Public Water Affordability and Integrated Planning; and, Regulatory Review. Assistant Administrator for Water Dave Ross has been invited to engage in dialogue with the mayors as they take the opportunity to familiarize him with their perspectives on such matters of interest as: WOTUS; Regions and Consent Decrees (stormwater); Water Reuse Guidance; Guidance on Financial Capability; Integrated Planning; and, the Lead and Copper Rule. AA Ross is unavailable, and Andrew Sawyers, Director, Office of Wastewater Management, will appear in his stead. The Council has also invited OW leads for the MS4 Pilot Projects, and the WIFIA Program to appear with overviews, and engage in discussions. **Mayor Jill Techel (Napa, CA)**, is Chair of the Council. Over thirty mayors from a cross-section of the country serve on the Council. AA Ross last addressed the Council on January 24, 2018 during USCM's Annual Winter Meeting in Washington, DC. He discussed EPA's priority programs WIFIA, SRFs, and those involving Integrated Stormwater Management Planning and he listened to member mayors about their concerns. OCIR Contact: M. Arnita Hannon Christmon.

**Wednesday, May 2, 2018 – Rep. Nanette Barragan (D-CA-44):** Congresswoman Nanette Barragan's Office called Acting Regional Administrator Alexis Strauss to ask if our office could join the Water Board and City of Compton on a discussion panel next Wednesday, May 2, 6 – 7:30 pm on the local drinking water distribution system and quality of water served. They'd like us to be prepared to discuss what has been done, what can be done. The water utility and a local physician are also invited. Alexis has asked Water Division Director Tomas Torres to follow up on this request to identify someone from our Water Division to attend and respond to Norchelle Brown in the Congresswoman's Office at 323 385 0773.

**Friday, May 4, 2018 - Rep. Barbara Lee (D-CA-13):** A 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting is scheduled as a follow up to an earlier meeting of Chief of Staff Amy Miller in the Congresswoman's Oakland District Office that will focus on City of Oakland/Port of Oakland issues. This meeting will involve Acting Regional Administrator Alexis Strauss, Amy Miller, Richard Grow and

Desean Garnett and will be taking place on Friday, May 4<sup>th</sup> at 3:30pm and will include Acting District Director Tatyana Kalinga and Field Representative Xavier Johnson.

**Monday, May 14, 2018 – San Francisco Board of Supervisor’s Hearing on Hunters Point:** Our office has been invited to participate in a San Francisco Board of Supervisor’s hearing on Hunters Point Naval Shipyard on Monday, May 14, 2018 from 1:00pm – 4:00pm. Superfund Division Director Enrique Manzanilla and potentially Angeles Herrera will represent EPA Region 9 at this hearing. Superfund RPM Lily Lee and John Chesnutt will be helping prepare Enrique for this hearing.

**Tuesday, May 15, 2018 – Senate Appropriations Committee:** FY2019 Budget Hearing with EPA. Witness: Administrator Scott Pruitt